Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) 1. An input method combining verbal and handwritten inputs, the input method comprising:

10   utilizing a speech recognition algorithm to generate a first list according to verbal input;

utilizing a character recognition algorithm to generate a second list according to handwritten input;

15   generating a third list that is an intersection of characters common to the first list and the second list; and

presenting ~~at least a character from~~ the third list to a user.

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2. (Original) The input method of claim 1 further comprising providing at least a database from which characters are selected by the speech recognition algorithm and the character recognition algorithm

25   to fill the first list and the second list, respectively.

3. (Original) The input method of claim 2 further comprising adding a first character to the database,

30   the first character generated by the user using an auxiliary input method.

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4. (Original) The input method of claim 3 wherein the speech recognition algorithm utilizes a first standard for speech recognition, and adapts the first standard to verbal characteristics of the user.

5. (Original) The input method of claim 4 wherein the verbal characteristics of the user corresponding to the first character are added to the database.

6. (Original) The input method of claim 3 wherein the character recognition algorithm utilizes a second standard for character recognition, and adapts the second standard to handwriting characteristics of the user.

7. (Original) The input method of claim 6 wherein the handwriting characteristics of the user corresponding to the first character are added to the database.

8. (Original) The input method of claim 3 wherein the auxiliary input method involves the use of a keyboard to generate the first character.

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